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SUBJ: MOZAMBIQUE BOTTLENECKS AND U.S. CHROME ORE SUPPLY.

1. AS INFO ADDRESSEES ARE AWARE, THE U.S. CHROME INDUSTRY IS CONFRONTING A SERIOUS SUPPLY SHORTAGE, BECAUSE RAILROAD AND PORT BOTTLENECKS IN MOZAMBIQUE ARE IMPEDING EXPORTS THROUGH LOURENCO MAREQUES OF SOUTH AFRICAN CHROME ORE. REPRESENTATIVES NOW IN JOHANNESBURG OF PPG INDUSTRIES, ONE OF THE MAJOR U.S. INDUSTRIAL CONSUMERS OF SOUTH AFRICAN CHROME ORE, ARE URGENTLY INVESTIGATING POSSIBLE ALTERNATIVE SOURCES OF SUPPLY.

2. WILL EMBASSY TANANARIVE, IF IT PERCEIVES NO OBJECTION, KINDLY CONTACT COMPAGNIE MINERE D'ANDRIAMANA (COMINA, TEL. 24304, MANAGING DIRECTOR PAUL MASCLANIS), TO INQUIRY WHETHER THAT COMPANY HAS ANY CHROME ORE AVAILABLE FOR IMMEDIATE SHIPMENT TO THE U.S., AND IF SO, HOW MUCH AND AT WHAT PRICE? PPG HAS NO RPT NO OBJECTION TO BEING NAMED AS POSSIBLE PURCHASER.

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